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THE ORIGINAL X-MEN--MARVEL GIRL, CYCLOPS, ICEMAN, ANGEL AND BEAST--WERE DISPLACED IN TIME AND BROUGHT TO OUR PRESENT. UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF THEIR FORMER ARCHENEMY TURNED ALLY, MAGNETO, AND JOINED BY ALTERNATE-UNIVERSE REFUGEES BLOODSTORM AND JIMMY HUDSON, THEY WILL SHOW THE WORLD THAT THEY ARE THE HEROES THEY WERE ALWAYS MEANT TO BE.

### PREVIOUSLY IN *X-MEN BLUE*...

MAGNETO MET WITH HAVOK, EMMA FROST, MISS SINISTER AND BASTION TO DISCUSS JOINING THEIR MUTANT-ENHANCING SCHEME CALLED MOTHERVINE. MAGNETO REFUSED TO JOIN AND IN THE ENSUING FIGHT, HE WAS FORCED TO TAKE A DOSE OF THE ILLEGAL DRUG MUTANT GROWTH HORMONE IN ORDER TO PREVAIL.

WITH JEAN GREY, CYCLOPS, ANGEL, BEAST AND ICEMAN IN SPACE, MAGNETO NEEDED A NEW TEAM TO PROTECT THE WORLD FROM THE THREAT MOTHERVINE POSES. POLARIS, DAKEN, GAZING NIGHTSHADE, BLOODSTORM, JIMMY HUDSON AND SHEN XORN ARE REPORTING FOR DUTY!

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**POLARIS**  
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**BLOODSTORM**  
ORORO MUNROE



**SHEN XORN**



**GAZING NIGHTSHADE**



**DAKEN**  
AKIHIRO



DEEP SPACE.







ALL  
RIGHT,  
HANK.

VENOM  
AND I HAVE  
ACCESSED THE  
PANEL, JUST  
LIKE YOU  
SAID.

YOU WANT  
TO TELL US WHAT  
WE'RE LOOKING  
FOR?

OUR  
AUXILIARY LIFE  
SUPPORT SYSTEMS  
ARE FAILING,  
WARREN.

AND, SADLY,  
YOU AND OUR  
SYMBIOTIC COMPANION  
ARE THE ONLY TWO OF  
US WHO CAN EXIST IN  
THE COLD VACUUM  
OF SPACE.

WE NEED  
TO **JUMPSTART**  
THE PRIMARY  
SYSTEMS.



IT'S NOT MEANT  
TO BE DONE IN SPACE,  
AND IT'S ONLY MEANT  
TO BE DONE  
**MANUALLY.**

ONE  
WRONG MOVE,  
AND YOU MIGHT  
REVERT DANGER TO  
HER BASE FORM,  
THEREBY **PULPING**  
EVERYONE  
INSIDE.

(NO  
PRESSURE.)

I'M  
SENDING A  
PULSE THROUGH  
DANGER'S  
SYSTEMS.

YOU  
SHOULD SEE A  
CONTROL PANEL  
COME TO  
LIFE.

WE HAVE  
ABOUT 10  
SECONDS  
TO--



AH!  
LET  
THERE BE  
LIGHT!

ALL  
RIGHT!  
WE  
SHOULD BE  
BACK HOME  
IN NO  
TIME!



"THIS--THIS--  
IS WHY WE'VE  
SACRIFICED  
SO MUCH.



**ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI!**

"WE'VE  
DONE IT."

"THE MUTANT RACE  
HAS BEEN GIVEN MANY  
CHANCES TO THRIVE  
OVER THE YEARS..."

"...RANDOM...  
SLIM...FLEETING  
CHANCES..."



"...BUT THIS  
TIME WE ARE  
IN CONTROL."

"MOTHERVINE HAS  
BEEN SUCCESSFULLY  
DEPLOYED IN A DOZEN  
MAJOR U.S. CITIES."

**CHARLOTTE,  
NORTH CAROLINA.**



**NEW YORK,  
NEW YORK.**

BEAK!

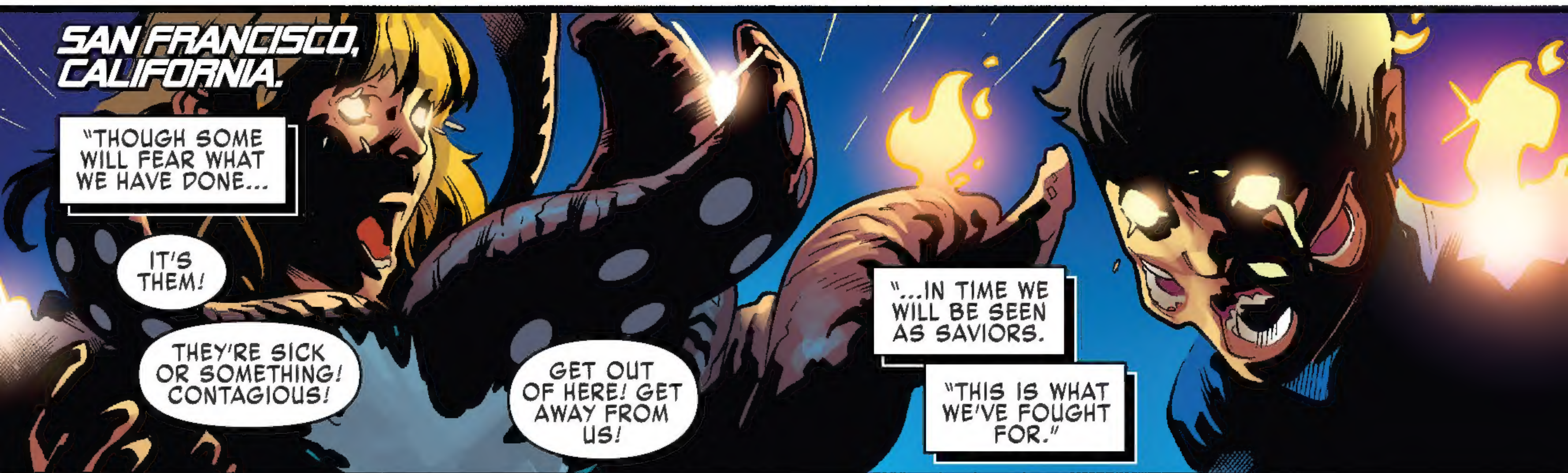
N-NO!

NOT  
AGAIN!

I WAS  
JUST GETTING  
USED TO BEING  
HUMAN!

"SECONDARY  
AND TERTIARY  
ENHANCEMENTS  
IN MUTANTS."

"PRIMARY MUTATIONS  
OCCURRING IN THOSE  
WHO DID NOT PREVIOUSLY  
POSSESS THE X-GENE."



**SAN FRANCISCO,  
CALIFORNIA.**

"THOUGH SOME  
WILL FEAR WHAT  
WE HAVE DONE..."

IT'S  
THEM!

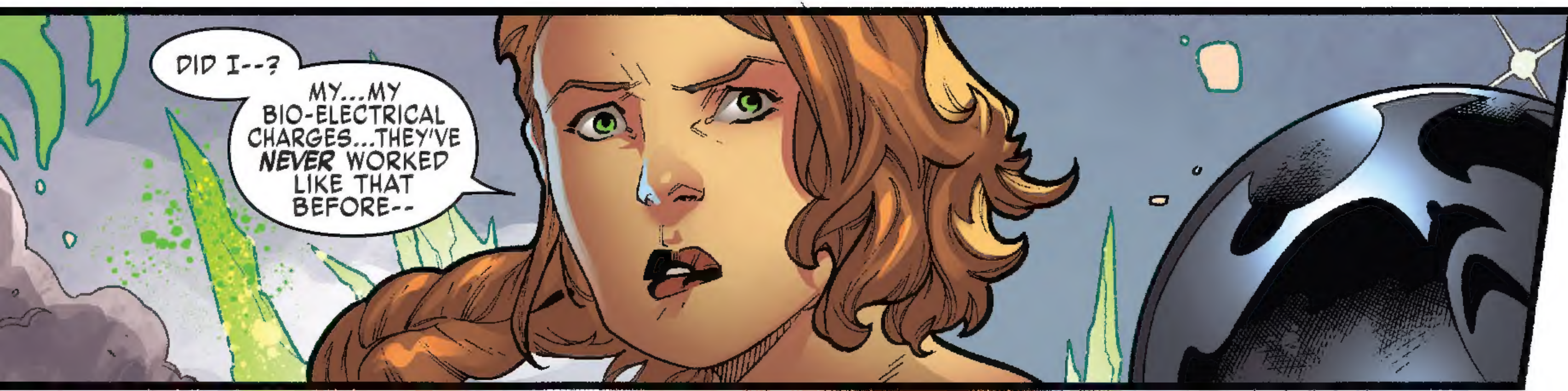
THEY'RE SICK  
OR SOMETHING!  
CONTAGIOUS!

GET OUT  
OF HERE! GET  
AWAY FROM  
US!

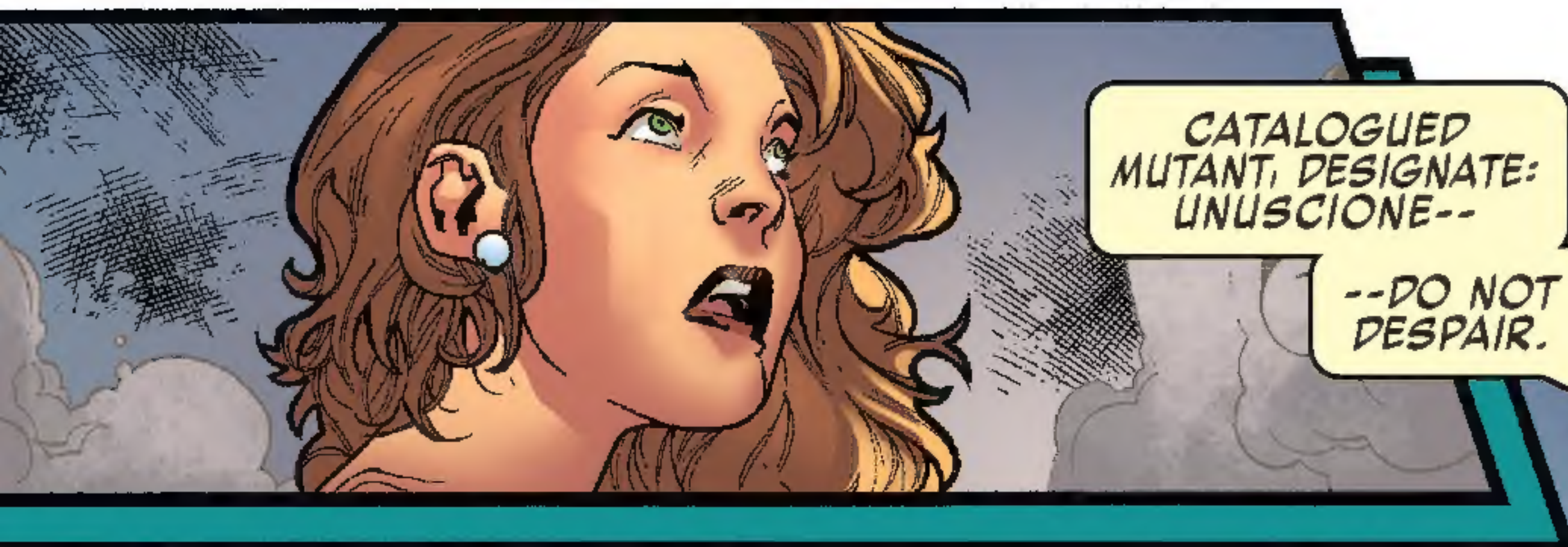
"...IN TIME WE  
WILL BE SEEN  
AS SAVIORS."

"THIS IS WHAT  
WE'VE FOUGHT  
FOR."









CATALOGUED  
MUTANT, DESIGNATE:  
UNUSCIONE--

--DO NOT  
DESPAIR.

YOU ARE EXPERIENCING A  
SECONDARY MUTATION DUE  
TO MOTHERVINE EXPOSURE.  
THIS MAY BE  
UNSETTLING, BUT  
IT IS NORMAL.

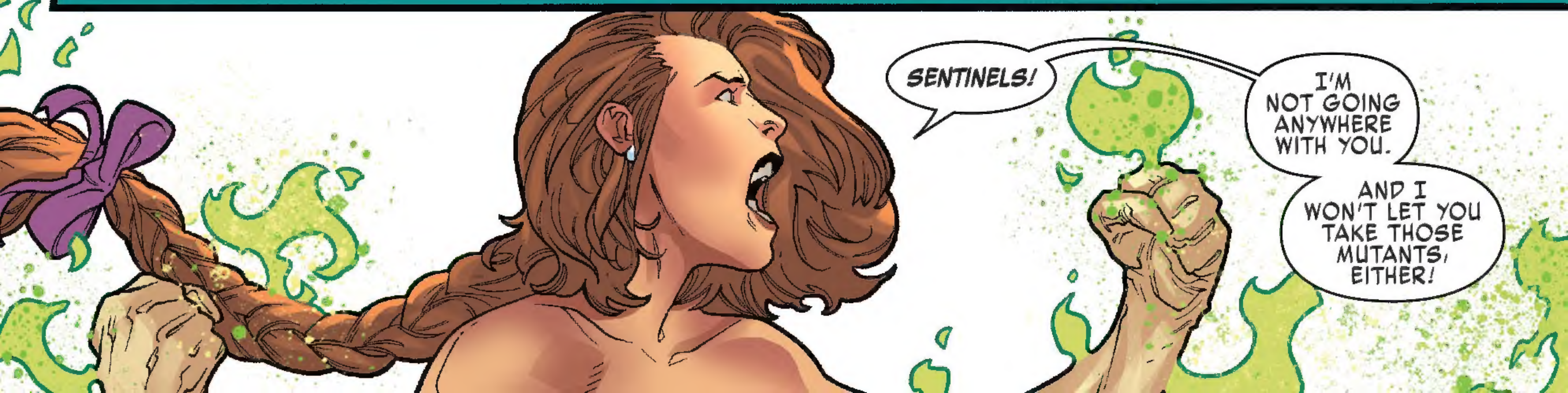


OUR MISSION...  
IS TO PROVIDE  
COMFORT  
AND AID.



YOU WILL  
ACCOMPANY  
US.

OUR MASTER AND HIS  
ALLIES WILL HELP YOU  
ADJUST TO THESE  
CHANGES.



SENTINELS!

I'M  
NOT GOING  
ANYWHERE  
WITH YOU.

AND I  
WON'T LET YOU  
TAKE THOSE  
MUTANTS,  
EITHER!





DON'T WORRY.  
YOU'RE NOT IN THIS ALONE.

NEW COLOR SCHEME...

...NEW ATTITUDE...

...IT DOESN'T MATTER.

THE X-MEN DON'T PLAY NICE WITH SENTINELS.

ALERT!  
SHRRRRRK

ALERT! WE ARE UNDER SHRRRRRK

I WILL FREE THE PRISONERS.

I WILL NOT LET THEM TAKE YOU, CHILDREN.

I WILL NOT LET THEM HARM YOU.

OUR MISSION PARAMETERS DO NOT INCLUDE HARMING MUTANTS.  
OUR GOAL IS TO PROTECT.

OUR GOAL IS TO ASSIST MUTANTS COPING WITH NEW MUTA--

SKRRARK!

THAT'S OKAY.  
I THINK I'VE GOT THE HANG OF IT.





SOMETHING...

...IT'S...

...SOMETHING'S  
WRONG...



YOUR SECONDARY  
MUTATIONS ARE  
RUNNING UNCHECKED.

ACTIVATING POWER  
DAMPENERS.

THIS WILL EASE  
YOUR DISCOMFORT.



NNN--

OUR  
ABILITIES! THE  
SENTINEL HAS  
CANCELED  
THEM OUT!

IT MIGHT  
BE HELPING  
OUR NEW FRIEND,  
BUT IT LEAVES  
US RELATIVELY  
DEFENSELESS.



SPEAK FOR  
YOURSELF,  
NIGHTSHADE.

(AND YOU  
CALL YOURSELF  
A NINJA.)

KRABOOM

AH--

IT...IT  
HURTS!

I  
CAN FEEL MY  
EXOSKELETON...  
TEARING ME  
APART  
INSIDE!



# KRAK-BOOM

WHATEVER THE SENTINEL WAS DOING, DAKEN, IT WAS KEEPING HER POWERS IN CHECK.

HER SECONDARY MUTATION IS HURTING HER... MAYBE KILLING HER.

ARE YOU SIDING WITH THE ENEMY NOW, BROTHER?

WE'RE NOT BROTHERS.

NO. YOUR FATHER IS FROM A DIFFERENT WORLD THAN MINE.

BUT I'D BET ANYTHING THAT IF HE WERE IN YOUR SHOES...IF HE WERE PART OF THE **SOURCE** OF THESE MUTATION BOMBS...

...HE'D WORRY **LESS** ABOUT THE COMFORT OF ONE MUTANT AND **MORE** ABOUT STOPPING OUR ENEMIES BEFORE THE SITUATION GETS WORSE.

NEW DIRECTIVES STREAMING IN.

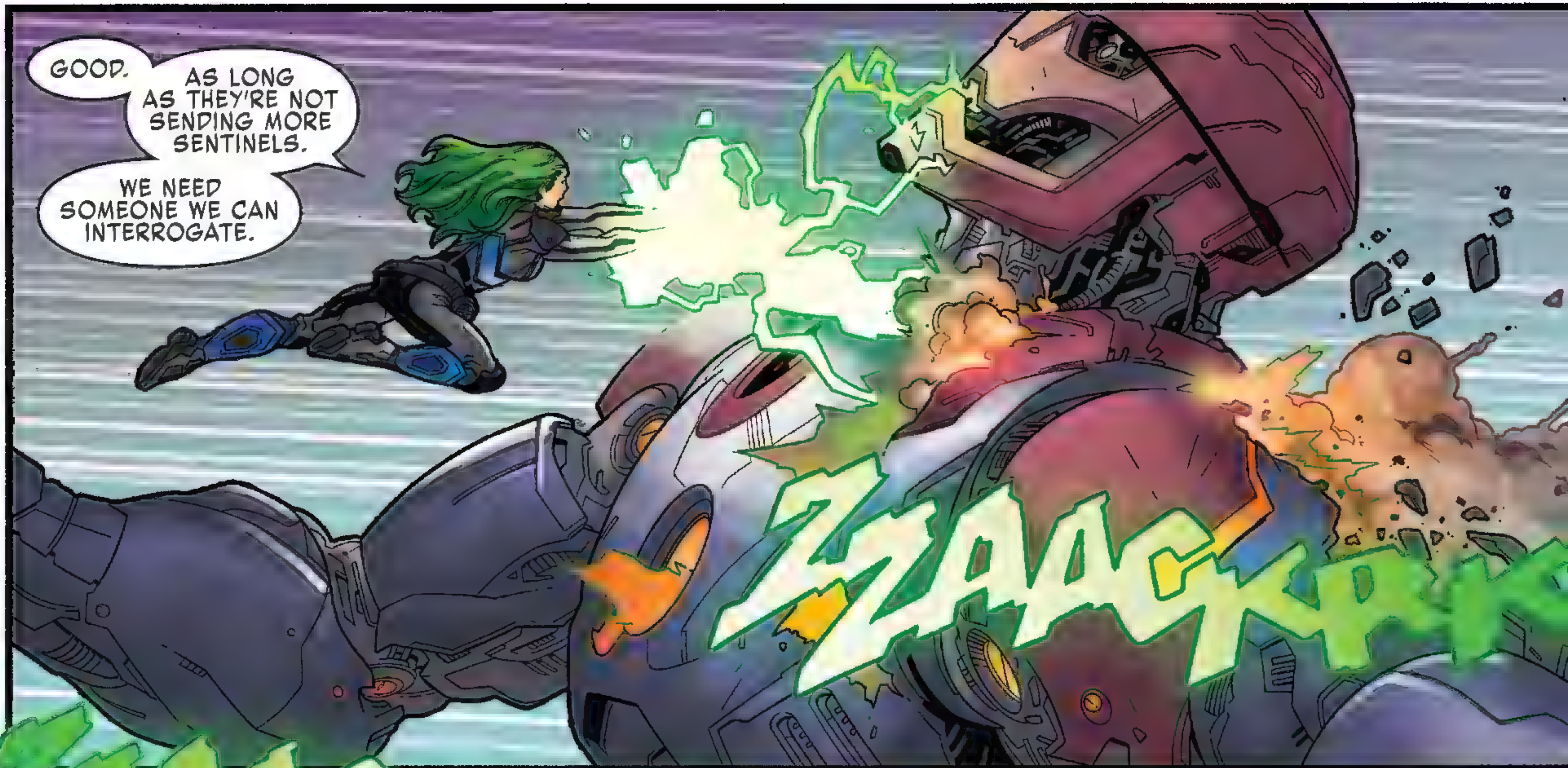
DELAY X-MEN UNTIL REINFORCEMENTS--

NO. I THINK YOU'RE DONE HERE.

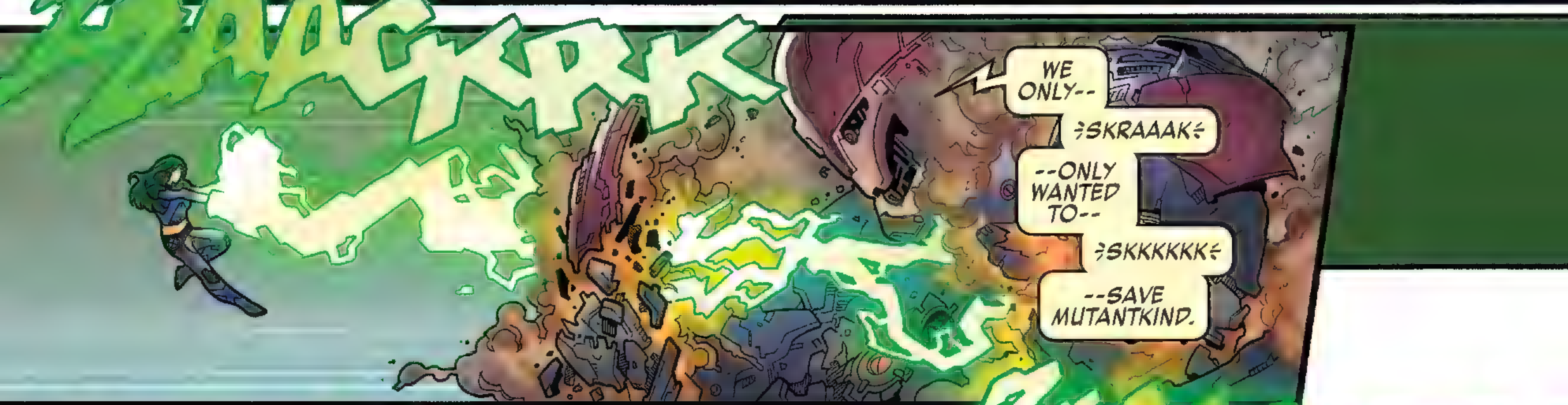
--ARRRRIIIOOOUUUU--??

THEY'RE CALLING FOR BACKUP!

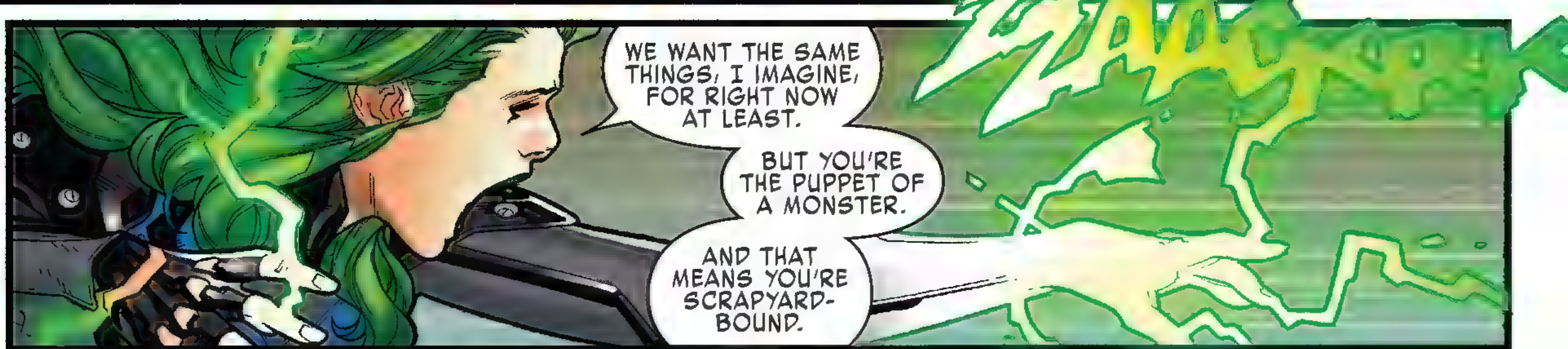




GOOD.  
AS LONG  
AS THEY'RE NOT  
SENDING MORE  
SENTINELS.  
WE NEED  
SOMEONE WE CAN  
INTERROGATE.



WE  
ONLY--  
?SKRAAAK?  
--ONLY  
WANTED  
TO--  
?SKKKKKK?  
--SAVE  
MUTANTKIND.



WE WANT THE SAME  
THINGS, I IMAGINE,  
FOR RIGHT NOW  
AT LEAST.  
BUT YOU'RE  
THE PUPPET OF  
A MONSTER.  
AND THAT  
MEANS YOU'RE  
SCRAPYARD-  
BOUND.

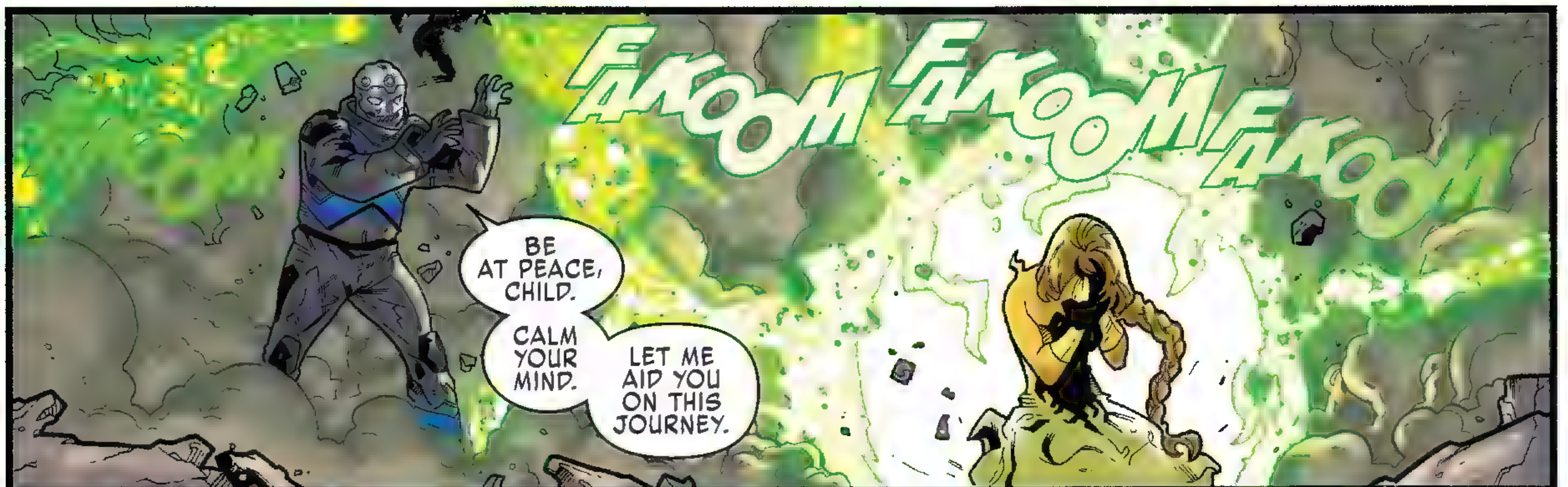
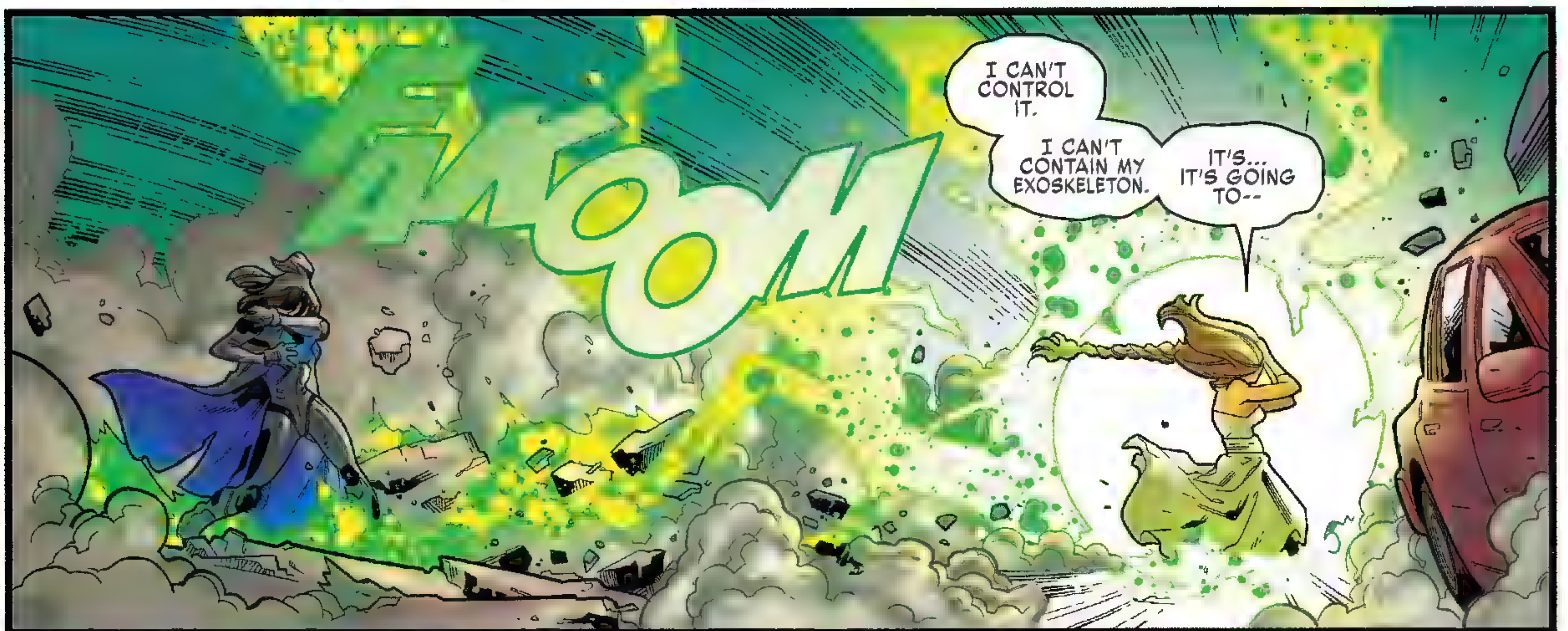


LOOK  
OUT!

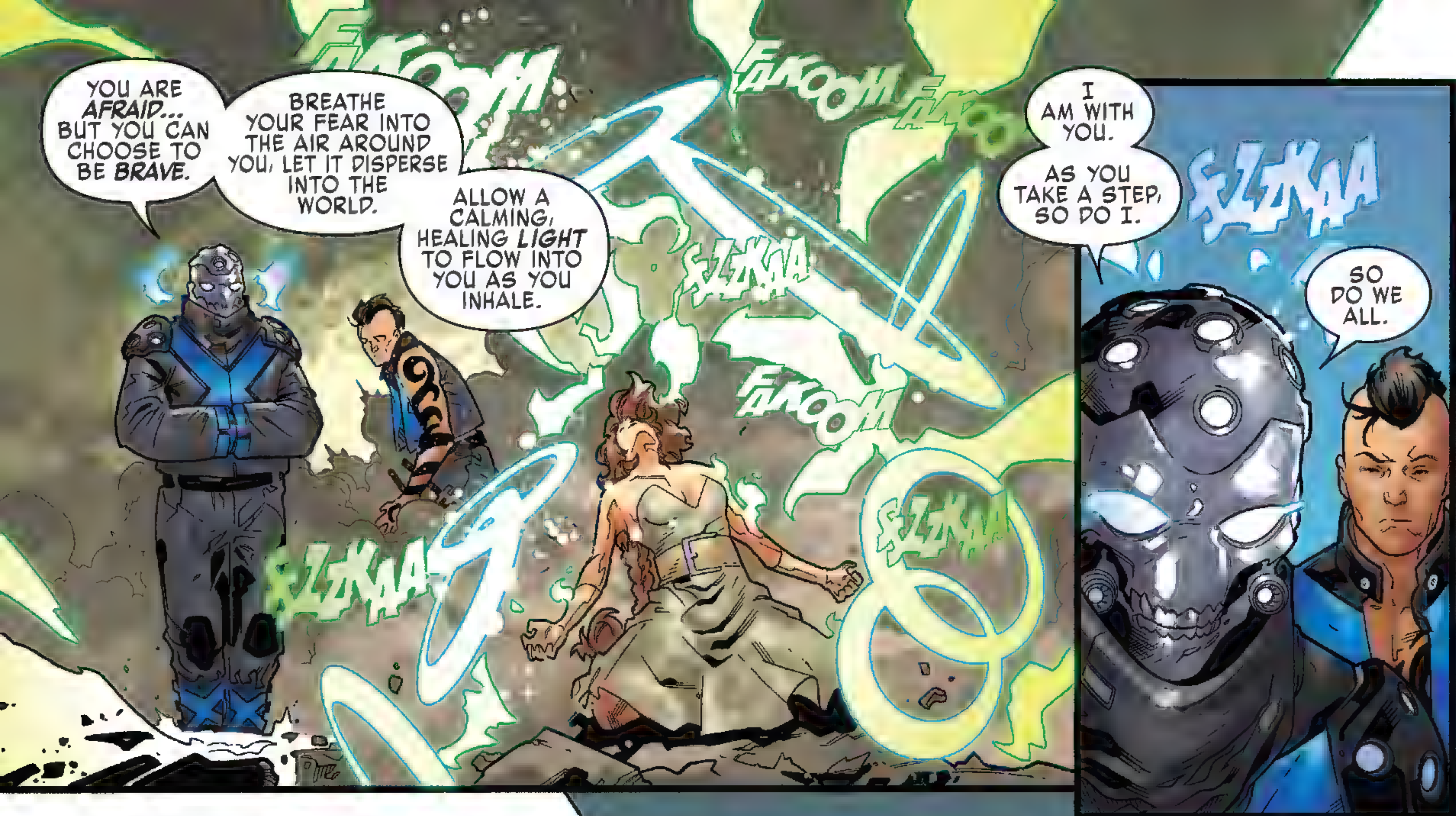
IT'S  
FALLING!

NO.  
I  
WILL NOT  
ALLOW HARM  
TO BEFALL  
YOU.  
NOW...  
GO  
HOME.  
GO  
HOME AND  
CONTEMPLATE  
YOUR OWN  
ACTIONS.









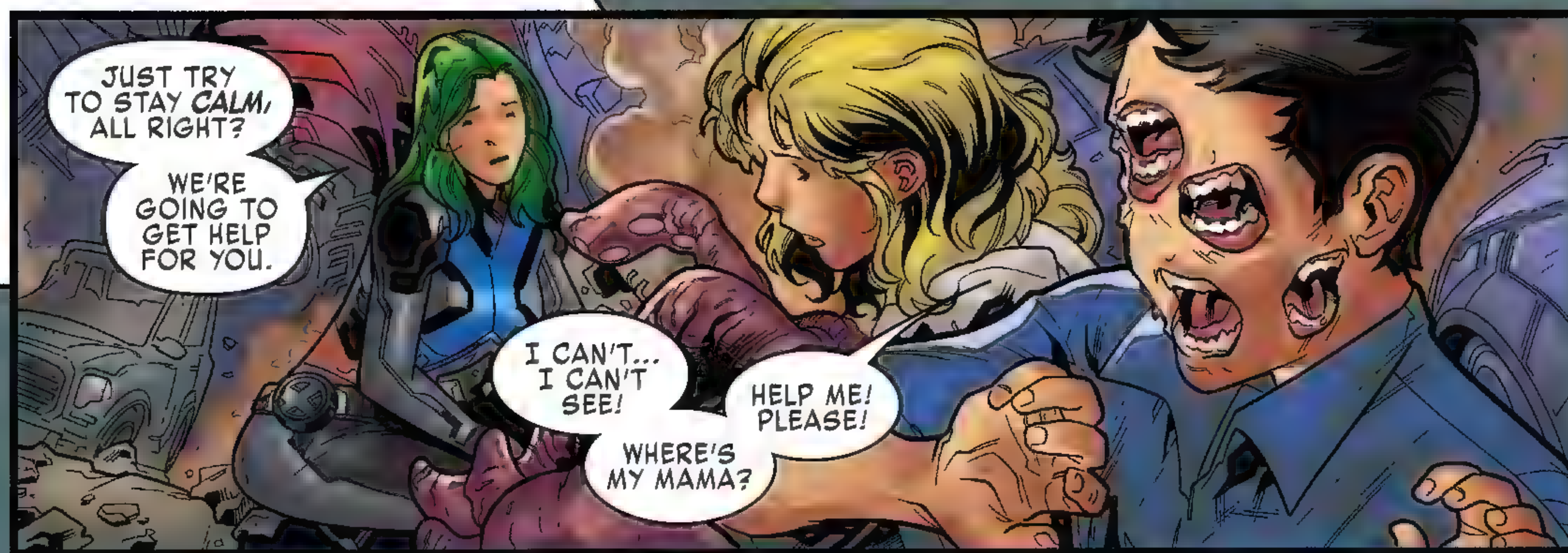
YOU ARE AFRAID... BUT YOU CAN CHOOSE TO BE BRAVE.

BREATHE YOUR FEAR INTO THE AIR AROUND YOU, LET IT DISPERSE INTO THE WORLD.

ALLOW A CALMING, HEALING LIGHT TO FLOW INTO YOU AS YOU INHALE.

I AM WITH YOU.  
AS YOU TAKE A STEP, SO DO I.

SO DO WE ALL.



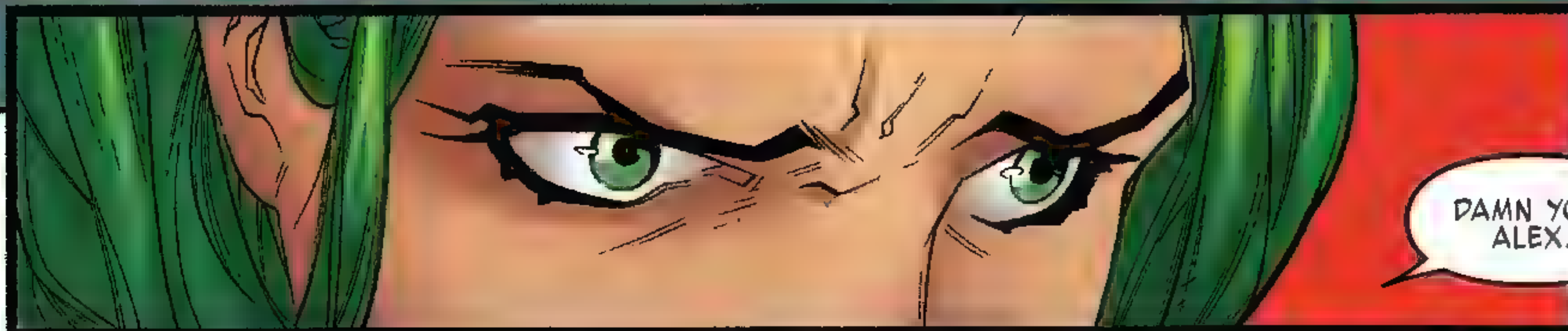
JUST TRY TO STAY CALM, ALL RIGHT?

WE'RE GOING TO GET HELP FOR YOU.

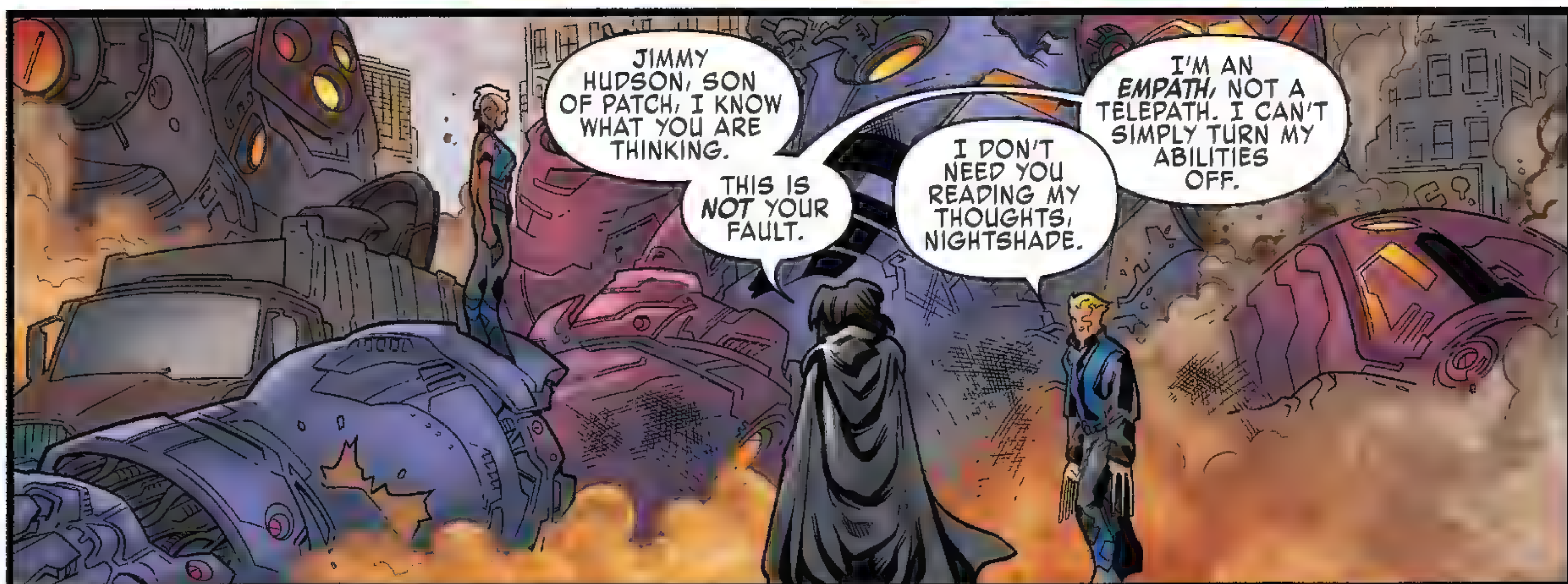
I CAN'T... I CAN'T SEE!

HELP ME! PLEASE!

WHERE'S MY MAMA?



DAMN YOU, ALEX.



JIMMY HUDSON, SON OF PATCH, I KNOW WHAT YOU ARE THINKING.

THIS IS NOT YOUR FAULT.

I DON'T NEED YOU READING MY THOUGHTS, NIGHTSHADE.

I'M AN EMPATH, NOT A TELEPATH. I CAN'T SIMPLY TURN MY ABILITIES OFF.

THEN HOW ABOUT MINDING YOUR OWN BUSINESS, THEN?

SOMETHING IN MY DNA...AND THE DNA OF THE OTHER MUTANTS FROM MY UNIVERSE...PAVED THE WAY FOR MOTHERVINE'S CREATION.

TELL ME AGAIN HOW THIS ISN'T MY FAULT.





YOU WERE USED WITHOUT YOUR KNOWLEDGE AND AGAINST YOUR WILL.

YOU ARE **BLAMELESS**, JIMMY.

YOU ARE NOT A VILLAIN HERE.

DON'T START ACTING LIKE ONE.



UNUSCIONE'S POWERS ARE IN CHECK... FOR NOW.

BUT IT REQUIRES MY FULL CONCENTRATION... AND HER COOPERATION.

MAYBE WE SHOULD GET BACK TO BASE WHILE THE GETTING'S GOOD.



ON IT.

SOMEBODY LOOK AFTER THE KIDS, PLEASE.

I'LL WATCH THEM.

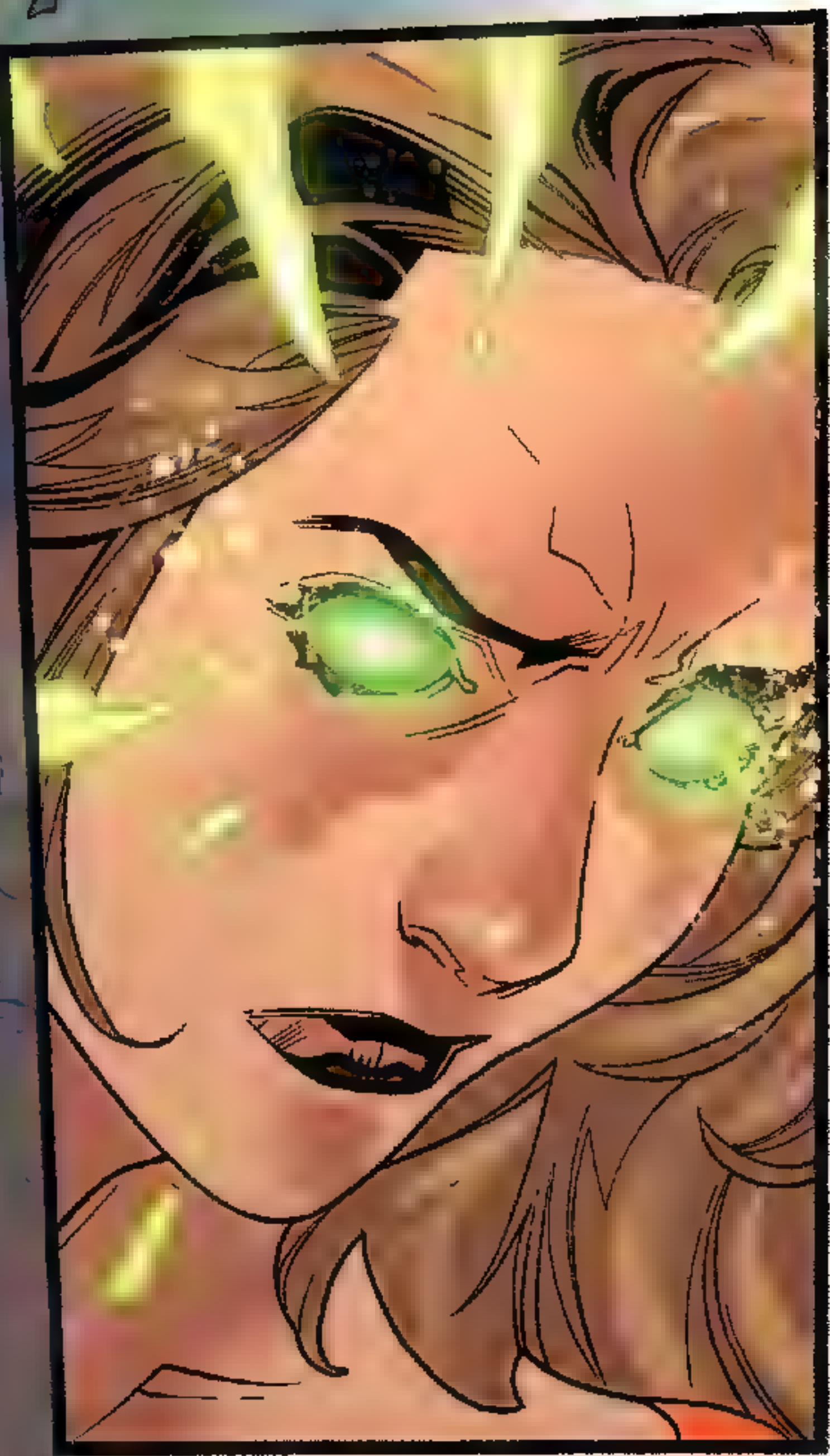
NOT DAKEN OR BLOODSTORM.



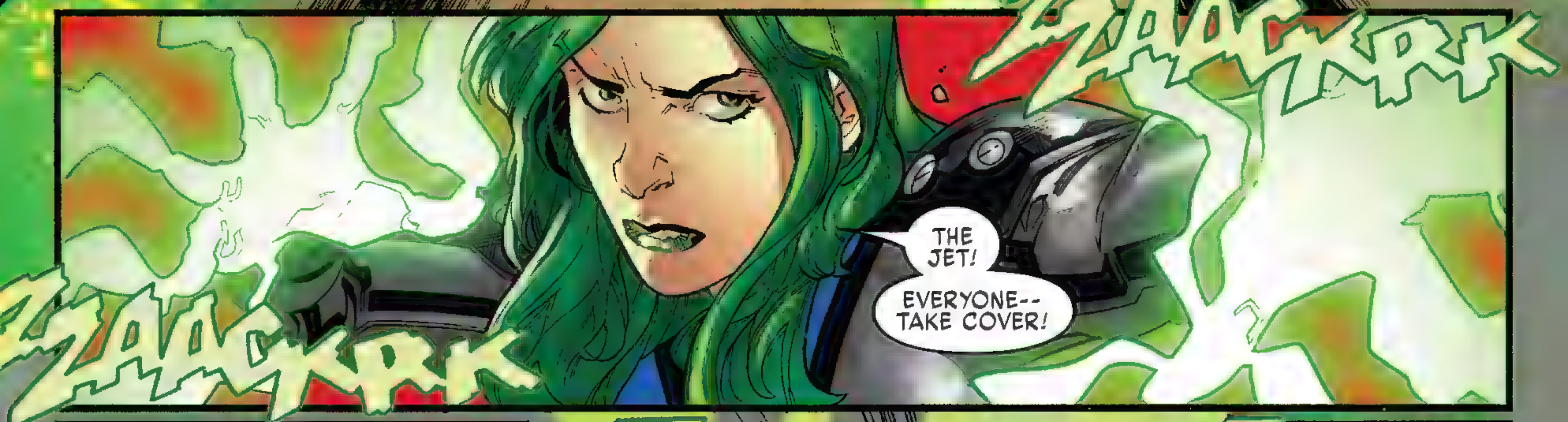
I'M CLEARING A LANDING ZONE.



AND I'M BRINGING THE DOVE IN FOR EVAC.











DON'T WORRY ABOUT WHAT YOU "MEANT" TO DO, GIRLIE.

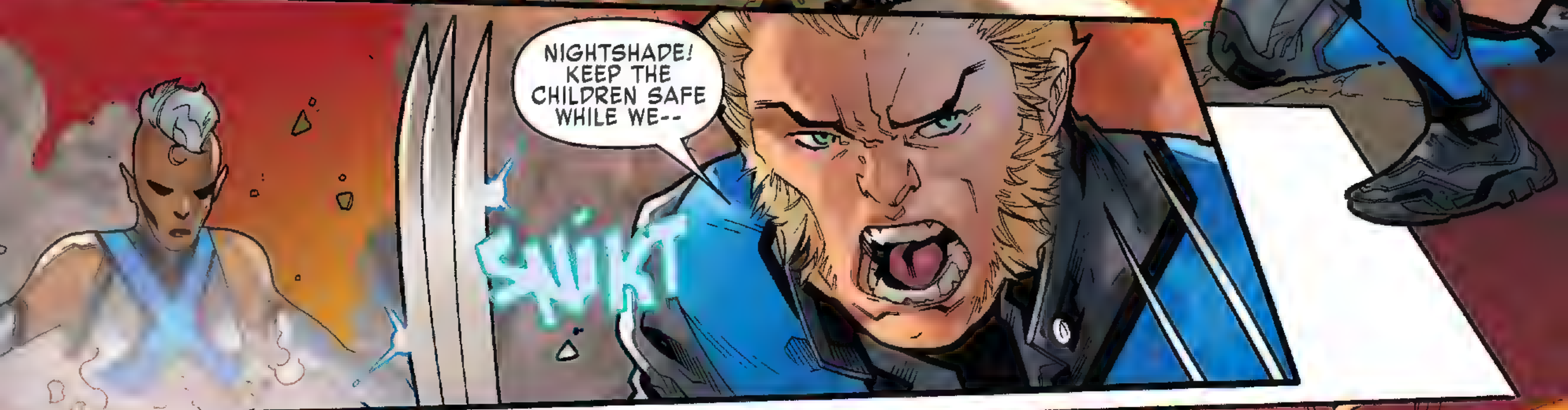
INTENT'S GOT NOTHING TO DO WITH ANYTHING.

YOU'RE ON OUR SIDE NOW.

A NEW GROUP OF MUTANTS TELEPORTING IN!

ALEX SENT MORE FLUNKIES TO DO HIS DIRTY WORK!

FWWWH



NIGHTSHADE! KEEP THE CHILDREN SAFE WHILE WE--

SWIKT



I DO NOT BELIEVE THEY NEED PROTECTION, JIMMY!

IN FACT-- I MIGHT NEED PROTECTION FROM THEM!

FWHAMMM

FOOSH

IT'S MOTHERVINE!

IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT MUTATION!

IT'S ABOUT CONTROL!

"THIS IS WHAT WE'VE FOUGHT FOR."



ELSEWHERE.

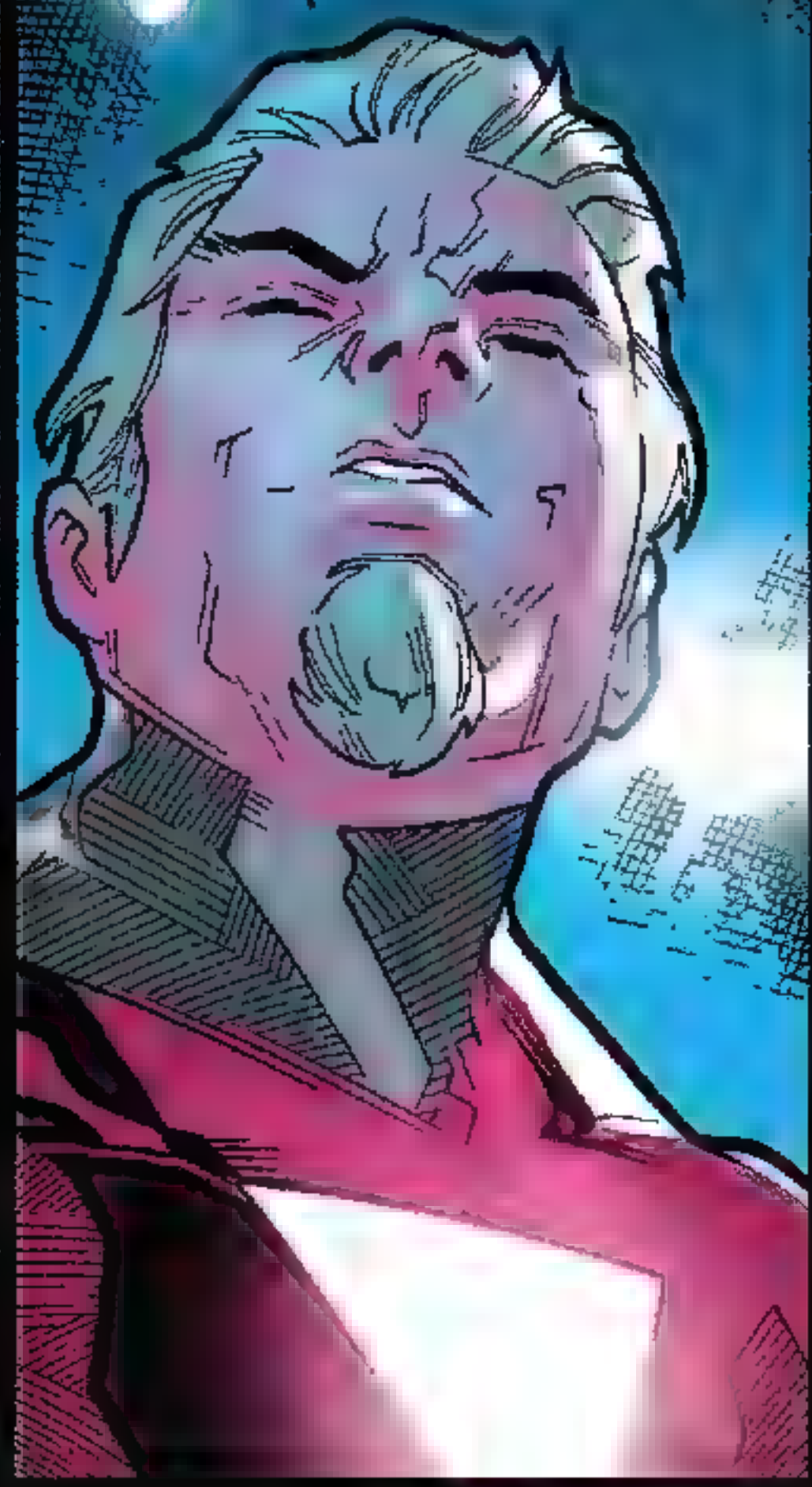
WITHIN  
JUST A FEW  
WEEKS...

...AFTER  
ANOTHER FEW  
LAUNCHES...

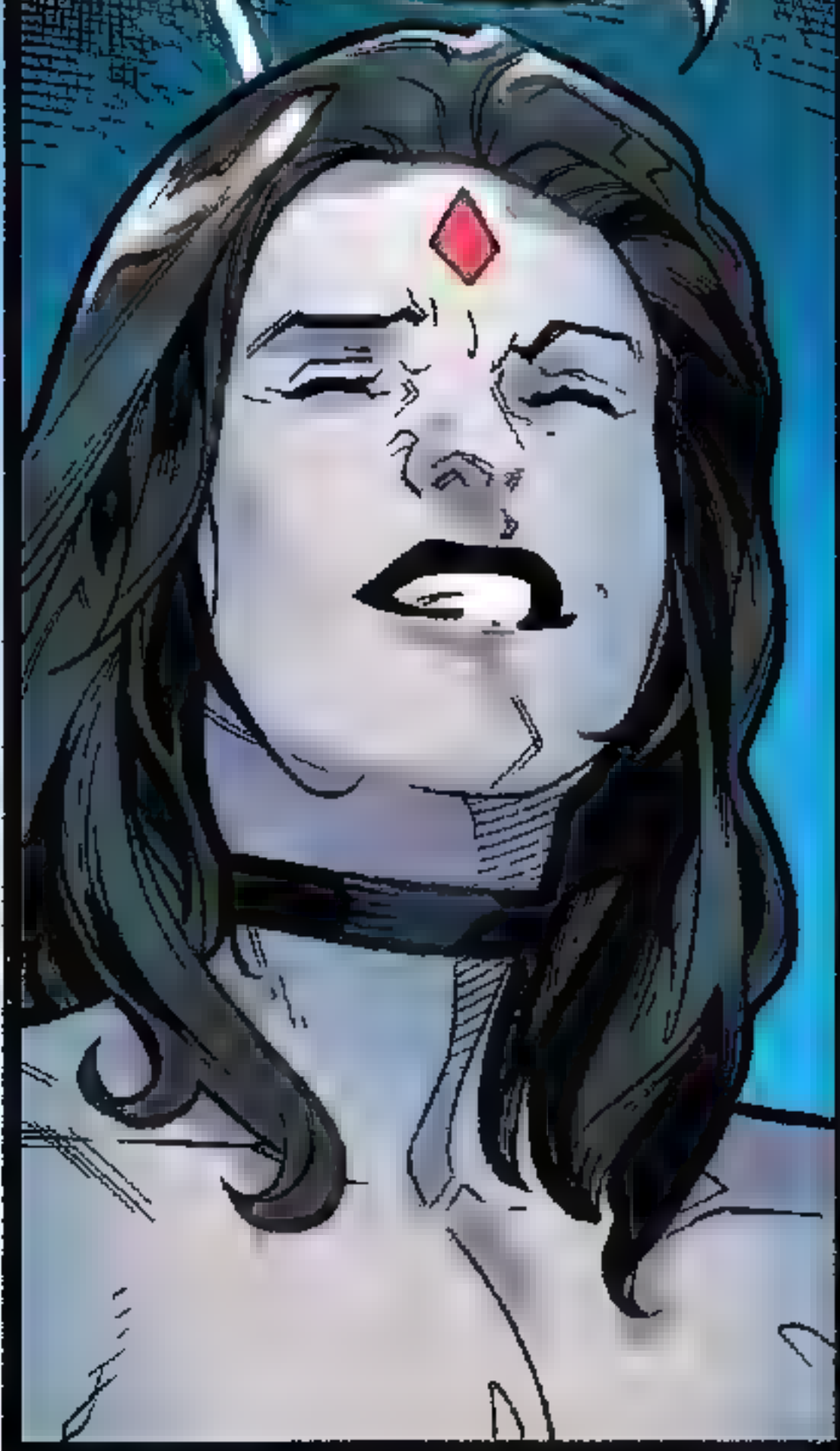
...THE  
MUTANT RACE  
WILL BE THE  
PREDOMINANT  
LIFE-FORM ON  
THE PLANET  
EARTH.



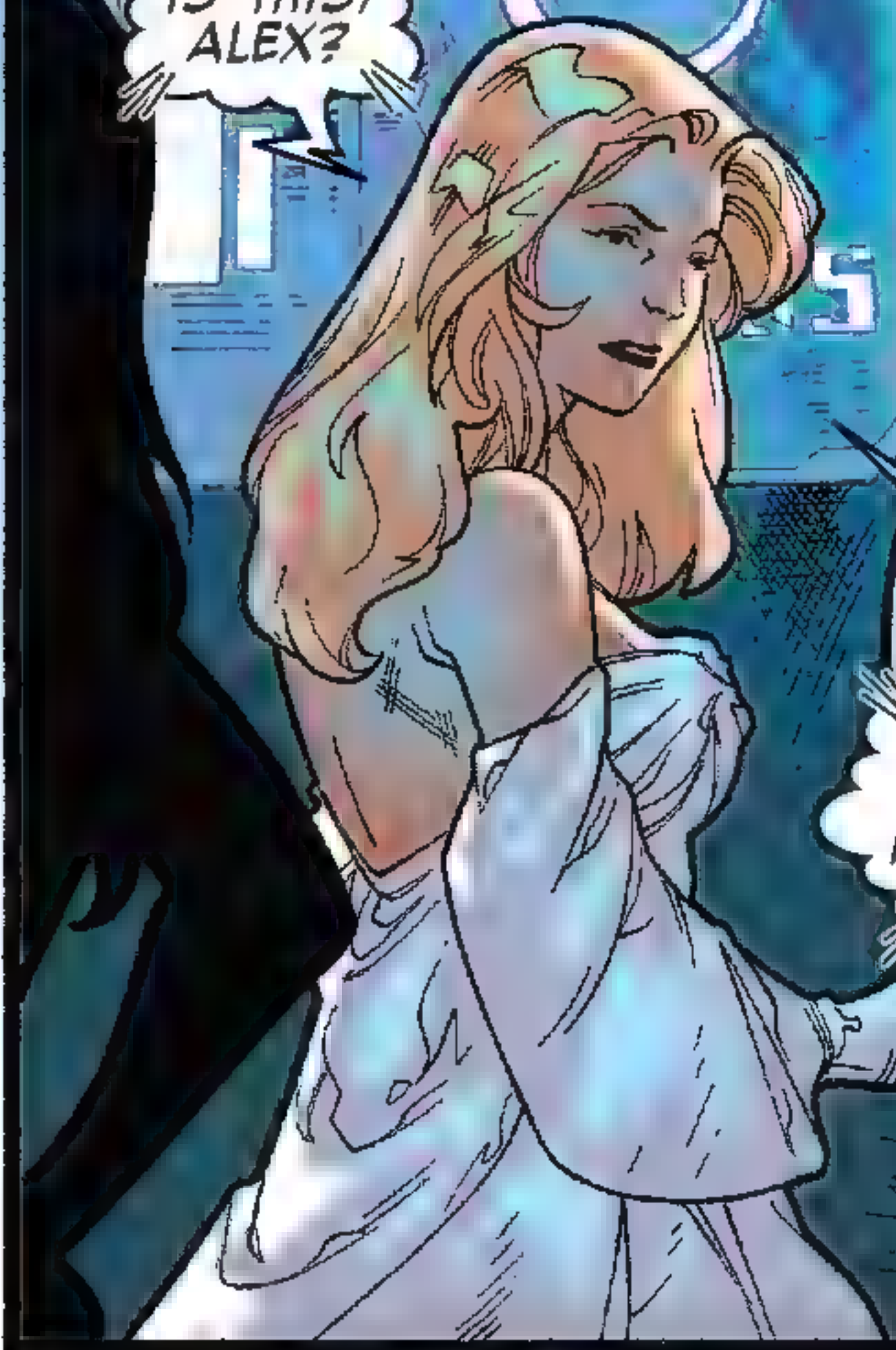
THEY WILL  
NO LONGER BE  
ENDANGERED.



YES. AND ALL  
THE MOTHERVINE  
MUTANTS WILL BE  
UNDER OUR  
CONTROL.



"CONTROL"?  
WHAT  
IS THIS,  
ALEX?

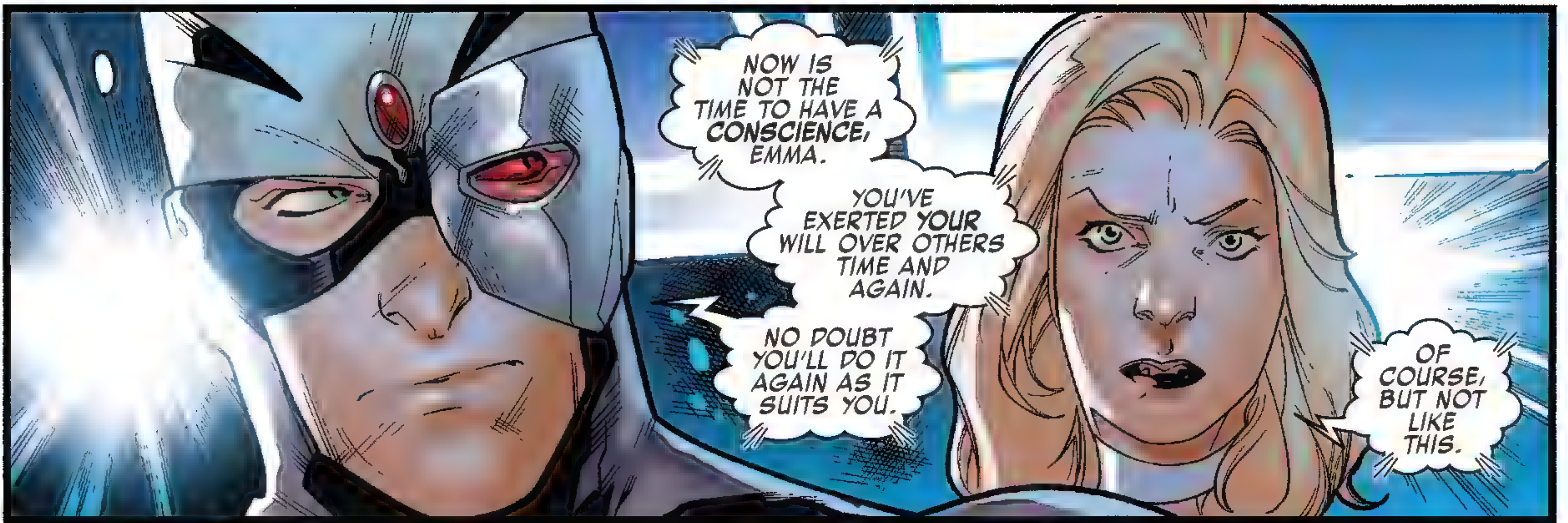


TELL ME  
YOU DIDN'T  
KNOW ABOUT  
THIS.

TELL ME  
YOU DON'T  
AGREE WITH  
IT.







NOW IS NOT THE TIME TO HAVE A CONSCIENCE, EMMA.

YOU'VE EXERTED YOUR WILL OVER OTHERS TIME AND AGAIN.

NO DOUBT YOU'LL DO IT AGAIN AS IT SUITS YOU.

OF COURSE, BUT NOT LIKE THIS.



IN SOME CASES, THESE MUTATIONS ARE WILDLY TRAUMATIZING AND VICIOUSLY CRUEL.

THESE NEW MUTANTS ARE FRIGHTENED ENOUGH AS IT IS.

TO HAVE SOMEONE ELSE RIP YOUR FREE WILL AWAY--



A MEANS TO AN END.

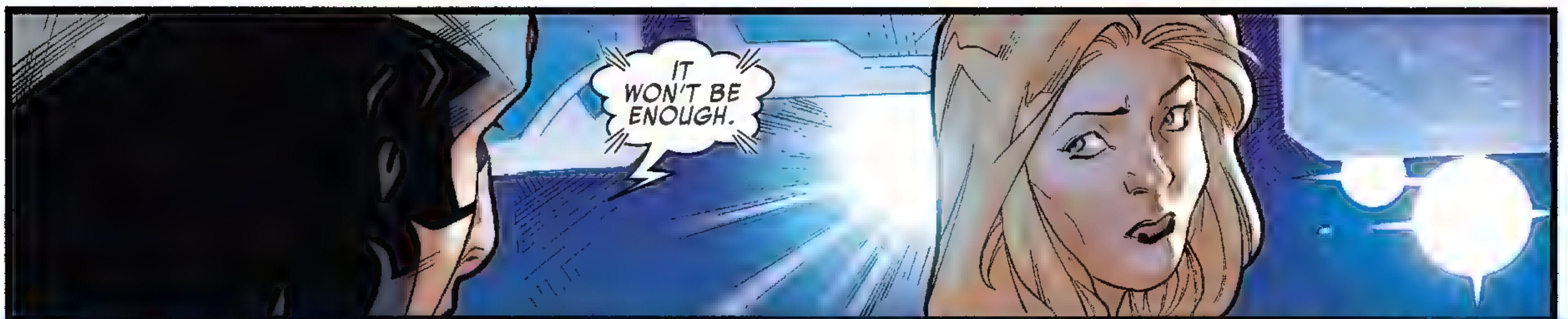
SURELY, YOU CAN APPRECIATE THAT.

ONCE WE'VE DONE WHAT WE SET OUT TO DO, MISS SINISTER WILL NO LONGER HAVE ANY VALUE TO US.



AND THEN WHAT?

SHE'LL HAVE AN ARMY--AN ARMY COMPRISED OF THE PREDOMINANT LIFE-FORM ON EARTH--TO BACK HER UP.



IT WON'T BE ENOUGH.



LOOK, EVERYONE.

OUR AGENTS ARE IN PLACE.

WE'RE ABOUT TO INITIATE THE NEXT STAGE OF OUR LITTLE DRAMA--



"--THE DEATH  
OF MAGNETO."

**MADRIPOOR.**

OUR GUESTS  
ARE, FOR  
THE MOMENT,  
COMFORTABLE,  
SIR.

BUT WE  
HAVE LIMITED  
SPACE FOR  
THEM.

ANOTHER DOZEN  
OR SO MUTANTS,  
AND WE'LL HAVE  
TO MAKE OTHER  
ARRANGEMENTS.

I'M  
WORKING ON  
SOMETHING,  
FERRIS, BUT IT  
WILL TAKE SOME  
TIME.

MANAGING  
THESE EMERGING  
MUTANTS...THESE VICTIMS  
OF MOTHERVINE...WOULD  
BE MUCH EASIER IF  
**DANGER** WERE  
STILL HERE.

I  
APOLOGIZE  
FOR BEING  
INADEQUATE,  
SIR.

I  
ASSURE  
YOU, I'M DOING  
THE BEST  
I CAN.

NOW IS  
NOT THE  
TIME TO FEEL  
INFERIOR,  
FERRIS.

NOW IS  
THE TIME TO  
RISE TO THE  
OCCASION.

YES,  
SIR.

I'LL DO  
MY--







WHAT--



SORRY  
TO DROP IN  
UNANNOUNCED.

WE  
HAVEN'T MET  
YET.

WE'RE THE  
MARAUDERS.

MY  
FRIENDS ARE  
GUARDIAN AND  
ARMOR.

I'M  
MACH-2.

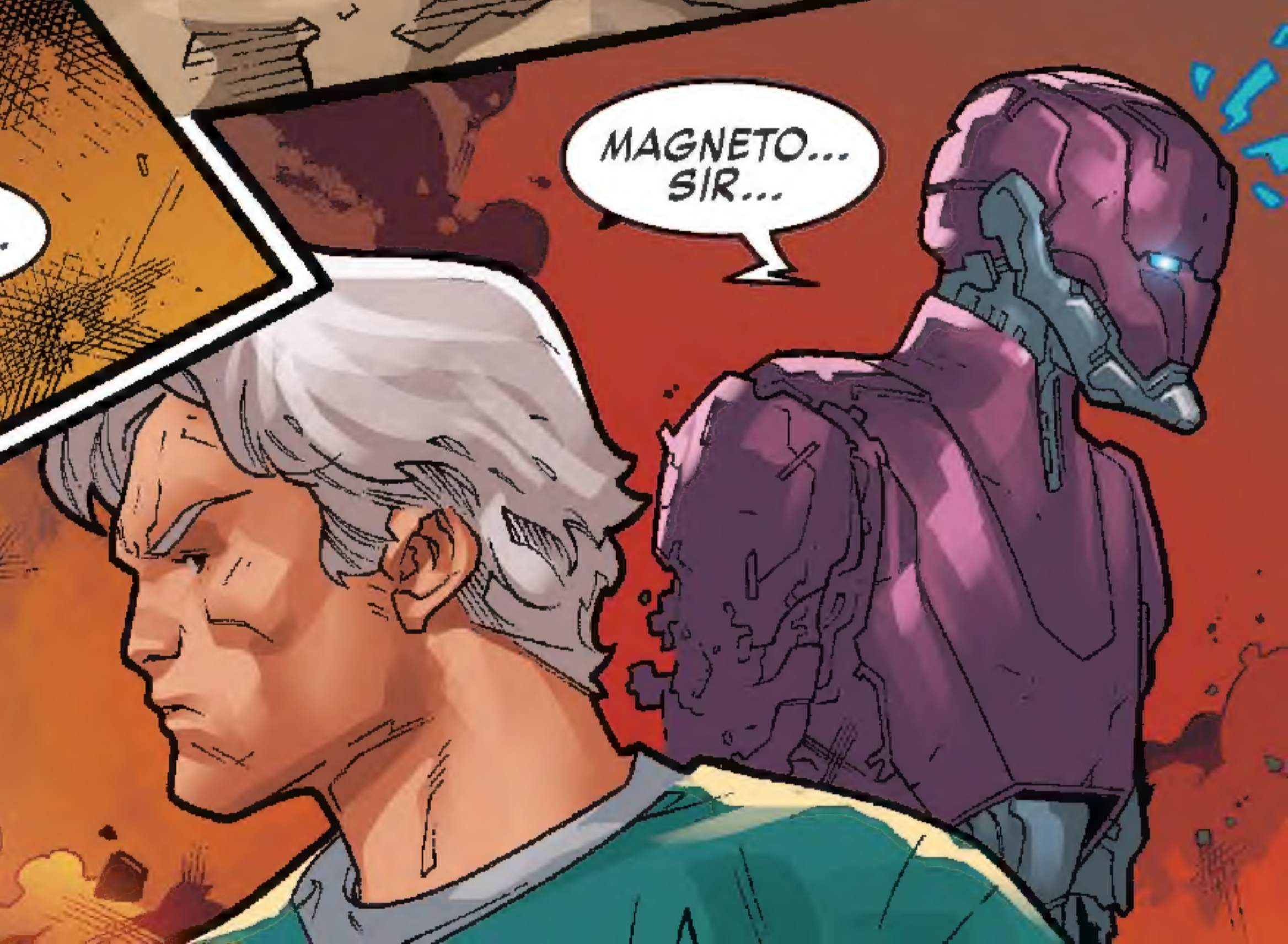
I CAN'T  
SPEAK FOR MY  
TEAMMATES, BUT  
I'VE BEEN DYING  
TO MEET  
YOU.

YOU WILL  
NOT FIND ME  
TO BE EASY  
PREY.

IF YOUR  
MASTERS WISHED  
TO FINISH ME ONCE  
AND FOR ALL, THEY  
SHOULD NOT HAVE  
SENT CHILDREN.



DO TELL.



MAGNETO...  
SIR...



THEY  
ARE NOT  
ALONE.

THE  
MOTHERVINE  
MUTANTS...

...THOSE  
WE HOPED  
TO HELP...

...STAND  
AGAINST  
US!

**TO BE  
CONTINUED!**



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